PTO/SB/21 (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/06. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 no pers	ons are require	d to respond to a collection of informati	on unless it disp	lays a valid OMB co	ntrol number.			
		Application Number	10/820,476					
TRANSMITTAL	Filing Date	April 8, 2	April 8, 2004					
FORM	First Named Inventor	Peter J.	Peter J. Hopper et al.					
(to be used for all correspondence after in	Group Art Unit	Unknow	Unknown					
	,	Examiner Name	Unknow	Unknown				
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	5	Attorney Docket Number	100-181	100-18110 (P05269-D01)				
ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)								
Fee Transmittal Form		Assignment Papers (for an Application)		After Allowance Communication to Group				
Fee Attached	☐ Drawing(s)		Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences					
Amendment/Response	Licensing-related Papers		Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)					
After Final (Response)	Petition Routing Slip (PTO/SB/69) and Accompanying Petition		Propri	Proprietary Information				
Affidavits/declaration(s)		n to Convert to a onal Application	☐ Status	Status Inquiry				
Extension of Time Request		of Attorney, Revocation e of Correspondence Address	Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):					
Express Abandonment Request		al Disclaimer st for Refund	Return Receipt Postcard Certificate of Mailing					
Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449	CD, Nu	umber of CD(s)						
Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)	Remarks							
Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application		<u> </u>						
Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53								
SIGNA	TURE OF A	APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, C	R AGENT					
Firm or Individual name  Mark C. Pickering, Reg. No. 36,239								
Signature Mula Pix C								
Date May 27, 2004	Date May 27, 2004							
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING								
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this date: May 27, 2004								
Typed or printed name Robin L. King								
Signature	Z. k	Seas 1	Date	May 27, 2004				

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of	Group Art Unit: Unknown
Peter J. Hopper et al.	) Examiner: Unknown
Application No. 10/820,476	SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
Filed: April 8, 2004	) <u>DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u> )
For: METHOD OF FORMING A METAL TRACE WITH REDUCED RF IMPEDANCE RESULTING FROM THE SKIN EFFECT (as amended)	) ) ) ) )

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith information of which applicants are aware, which applicants believe may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56.

This Information Disclosure Statement:

- (a) [ ] accompanies the new patent application submitted herewith. 37 CFR § 1.97(a).
- (b) [X] is filed within three months after the filing date of the application or within three months after the date of entry of the national stage of a PCT application as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.491.
- (c) [ ] as far as is known to the undersigned, is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, in an envelope, addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on 05-27-04.

Dated: May 27, 2004 By Sleen & Supplementation of the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on 05-27-04.

	(d) [	applic as is l reject by eit	d after the first office action and more than three months after the ation's filing date or PCT national stage date of entry filing but, as far known to the undersigned, prior to the mailing date of either a final ion or a notice of allowance, whichever occurs first, and is accompanied her the fee (\$180) set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(p) or a certification as ied in 37 CFR § 1.97(e), as checked below.			
	(e) [	allowa set fo § 1.97	d after the mailing date of either a final rejection or a notice of ence, whichever occurred first, and is accompanied by the fee (\$180) orth in 37 CFR § 1.17(i)(1) and a certification as specified in 37 CFR (e), as checked below. This document is to be considered as a petition sting consideration of the information disclosure statement.			
	[If eit	her of b	oxes (d) or (e) are checked above, the following "certification" under			
37 CFR § 1.97(e) may need to be completed.] The undersigned certifies that:						
	(f) [	was c	tem of information contained in the information disclosure statement ited in a communication mailed from a foreign patent office in a erpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing information disclosure statement.			
	(g) [ ]	cited iforeig reason § 1.56	m of information contained in this information disclosure statement was n a communication mailed from a foreign patent office in a counterpart n application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making hable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR (c) more than three months prior to the filing of this information sure statement.			
	A list	of the p	atent(s) or publications(s) is set forth on the attached Form PTO-1449			
(Modifi	ed). A	A copy o	of the items on PTO-1449 (Modified) is supplied herewith:			
	(h) [] each					
	(i)	) [X] none				
	(j) [] only those listed below:					
Those patent(s) or publication(s) which are marked with an asterisk (*) in the						
attache	ed forn	n PTO-1	449 (Modified) are not supplied because they:			
		[]	were previously cited by or submitted to the Office in a prior application no filed and relied upon in this application for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120 or			
		[X]	are hereby waived pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003.			
is:	A concise explanation of relevance of the described above and attached information					
13.	(k)	[X] no	ot given			

(I) [ ] given for each listed item

is:

- (m) [ ] given for only non-English language listed item(s) [Required]
- (n) [ ] is in the form of an English language copy of a Search Report from a foreign patent office, issued in a counterpart application, which refers to the relevant portions of the references [copy attached].

While the information disclosed in this Information Disclosure Statement may be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the information referred to is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56(a) exists. It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.98 and MPEP § 609 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the above-described and attached information.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 5-27-04

Mark C. Pickering Reg. No. 36,239

Attorney for Assignee

Atty. Docket No: 100-18110 (P05269-D01)

P.O. Box 300

Petaluma, CA 94953-0300

Direct Telephone: (707) 762-5583 Main Telephone: (707) 762-5500

Facsimile: (707) 762-5504 Customer No. 33402

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION  JUN 2 1 2004 (Vse several sheets if necessary)				Docket Number (Optional)   Application Number   100-18110 (P05269-D01)   10/820,476   Applicant(s)   Peter J. Hopper et al.						
JUN 0 1 DUU E				Filing Date April 8, 2004	Group Art Unit Unknown					
FATE	r- e TP!	NE.	U.S.	. PATENT	DOCUMENTS					
*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF.	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME		CLASS SUBCLASS		FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE		
,		5,986,346	11/16/99	Katoh		257	773	03/22/99		
		6,218,302 B1	04/17/01	Braeckelmann et al.		438 687		07/21/98		
		6,417,087 B1	07/09/02	Chittipeddi et al.		438 612		12/16/99		
		6,495,469 B1	12/17/02	Yang et al.		438	725	12/03/01		
•										
•	U.S. PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS									
*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME		CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE  IF APPROPRIATE		
								a ,		
			FORE	IGN PATE	NT DOCUMENTS					
	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY		CLASS	SUBCLASS	Trans YES	lation NO	
•										
•										
			OTHER I	OOCUMEN	NTS (Including Author	Title, Date,	Pertinent Pages, E	itc.)		
		•								
EXAMINE	er er				DATE CONSIDERED					
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP Section 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.										
Patent and Trademark Office LLIS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE										

Form PTO-A820 (also form PTO-1449) P09A/REV05